BORDEN'S VICTORY

Government Has Majority of at Least 48 Seats in Parliament.

Laurier Successful Only in French Speaking Sections of the Dominion.

Office and interest of the coming of the forces and material are coming planter indicate to-night that the Government will have a majority of fortywhich previously had been credited to

The Government carried six and the ried by the Government are New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, old people.

Alberta and British Columbia. Laurier
carried Nova Scotta, Quebec and Prince

Cows. eggs medicines, bed linen, mat-

All the Cabinet Ministers are elected with the exception of two French Minwho was a candidate and was beaten in two ridings, and P. I. Blondin, who aim was beaten in the two ridings where his name appeared on the ballots. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was beaten in the city of Ottawa by 500, but was elected a Quebec city seat by almost 2,000

Borden's View of Victory.

ir Robert Borden in a statement to day expressing his satisfaction at the

the war should be maintained. midst of the campaign the test of com-pulsory military service had to be ap-plied. No severer trial of the courage-self-sacritice and endurance of a democvas ever made.

Constitutional writers of central Europe had predicted during the past quarter of a century that under some such test democracy would fail. The Canadian democracy has given a triumphant refutation to every such predic-

Sir Robert predicted the Government would have a majority of at least fifty, adding that the soldier votes "may increase it to sixty or more." The "devoof Canada," he said, "never had bee conspicuous than during the last

Aid From All Classes.

"The ciergy, the teachers in the unievery walk of life who on ordinary took no active part in party instrained by the country's need and the Ukrainian forces seized seve by the stern call of duly to throw them-earnon. 33 selves into a contest which involved the carrridges national duty and the national honor.

to the mother country and to every dowild beast of German militarism shall

Robert said the Government's vic-*tory was not in any sense a partisan dressed to the Ukraine Rada recogniz-one as "splendid elements of the Liberal ing the independence of the Ukraine but

showing themselves to be generous and

doubtiess justify the signal approval north Russia and on the north and south which it has received at the hands of fronts. he people," the Minister added.

The English speaking sections of Can-ada voted solidly for conscription that the Dominion may continue to be repre-sented on the fighting line in the strength It has shown there up to the present time. The French and the German speaking parts of the country voted against the Borden Government and for the return of Sir Wilfrid Laurier as Prime Minister

French Vote Strongly Against.

The decisive character of the Borden victory relieves the apprehension that was felt that if either side was returned by a narrow margin the strong feeling over the conscription issue might lead to serious disorders in the country and force another election in the near future. How unanimously the French speaking anadians voted against conscription is Canadians voted against conscription is shown by the returns from the Province of Quebec, which elects sixty-five memeral members with majorities in each case running into the thousands. Only in three English speaking ridings of Montreal were Unionist candidates re-turned for the whole of the Province of

The adjoining Province of Ontario elects eighty-two members and is re-turning seventy or more for the Union-

Canada west of the great lakes shows an even more striking result. The four Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia jointly re-turn fifty-six members and the indications are that not more than two of them will elect supporters of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

HUMBERT MUST FACE TRIAL

Prench Senate Suspends Immunity of Accused Member.

PARIS. Dec. 18 .- The Senate to-day. without discussion, voted to suspend the immunity of Senator Charles Humbert.

In the Chamber of Deputies M. Palsant read a report he had drawn for the Chamber's committee of eleven on the FARMERS FIRE ON AERONAUTS. of Senators Califoux and Lous-The report was adopted, seven committee voting in favor of it and four abstaining from voting. The report requests the Cham-ber to discuss the report next Saturday.

members of the committee voting in favor of it and four abstaining from voting. The report requests the Chamber to discuss the report next Saturday.

Brewery Strike Collapses.

The strike of brewery workers and drivers collapsed yesterday when the heads of the union sent word that they would not back up the men in their demands. Of the 2,000 in the walkout Saturday only about 100 appeared at a meeting called for the afternoon. It is meeting called for the afternoon. It is believed all of them will be on duty togard in the maybe you will affected.

The strike of brewery workers and drivers collapsed yesterday when the whole made the flights related his experience of yesterday as follows:

"About twelve miles from Macon two men ushed out with a shotgun and although the period of the afternoon. It is believed all of them will be on duty togard in the text of that he might lecture them. After they had lined up in the battery at text and were standing at attention in the tent so that he might lecture them.

After they had lined up in the battery at text and the attacks against Monte Sol-arolo failed.

Who made the flights, related his experience of yesterday as follows:

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MEN TO FLANDERS POPE OPPOSED TO GERMANS RUSHING IN CANADA GROWS Predict War's End in Three

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AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18 .- According to the frontier correspondents of the Telegranf, ceaseless military movements in Flanders, the large number of requisi SIX PROVINCES CARRIED tions, universal forced tabor in taying MAY MAKE STATEMENT A FAILURE IN GERMANY tram lines and many other signs have caused an almost universal belief that important events are imminent. The Germans there are practically unant-mous in the opinion that the war will end in three months. German officers are encouraging their men by predic-tions of an offensive with enormous

sian front; many have already arrived in the neighborhood of St. Nicholas, for eight scats, with three in doubt, two of example, while other columns are going

This huge military movement has the Government and one to the Opposi- caused terrible hardship to the people military quarters. All the schools, con-The Government carried six and the varted into hospitals. The condition of Laurier Opposition carried three of the the people is pitiable. Every requisite nine Canadian Provinces. Those car- of life has been appropriated by the Germans, which has caused an increase mortality among the children, girls and

GERMAN GUNS ACTIVE.

French Fronts.

London, Dec. 18.—Little was done on the western front to-day. Field Mar-chal Haig to-night reports that a Ger-man raid was repulsed this morning south of Fontaine-les-Croisilles, and that the German artillery was active east of Bullecourt, at different points between Lens and Armentieres and in the Ypres

Paris reports rather intense artillers day expressing his satisfaction at the result of the election said it "was a notable test of democracy."

"The Canadian people," he said, "after more than three years of heroic devotion and untoid sacrifice were called upon to say whether Canada's effort in the war should be maintained. In the of Juvincourt was repulsed.

UKRAINIANS DISARM **BOLSHEVIKI TROOPS**

73 Cannon, 350 Machine Guns and 5.000,000 Cartridges Siezed at Kiev.

London, Dec. 18 .- Fighting is still in progress in the Don region in southern Russia, according to advices from Petrograd received here to-night. It is said that reenforcements for the Bolshevik troops have been sent south from the capital. A Kiev despatch says that after isarming the Maximalist troops there the Ukrainian forces seized seventy-three cannon, 350 machine guns and 5,000,000

"The result will bring refoleing not Swedish-Russian frontier, asserts that only to the Canadian Army Corps but former Frenier Kerensky has appeared minion of the Britannic Commonwealth. thousands of soldiers and that the Bol-To them and to all the allied nations it sheviki have sent troops against him. proclaimed Canada's unalterable deter- The report is considered here as hardly probable.

Other advices to Petrograd from the south say that the Bolshevik Commisstoners are drafting an ultimatum adparty" gave their support in every Prov- demanding an immediate expression of

ments. to be firmly but fairly and justly put have been satisfactory at Petrograd, into operation, and so carried out will Moscow and all the populous places in

PLAN TO CURB CADETS. Trotzky Proclaims Merciless Was

fare Against Party. Special Cable Desputch to THE Stn from the London Times

Copyright, 1917, all rights reserved. PETROURAD, Dec. 18.—The Petrograd loviet, evidently with the intention of strengthening the hands of the people's commissioners in dealing with the Con-stituent Assembly, has passed a resolution demanding an immediate decree for quashing the elections of all Deputies of the Cadets or Constitutional Democrats, Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki Foreign Minister, declared the people's commisioners were engaged in a merciless and decisive struggle against the Cadet party and would stop at nothing in the prosecution of class warfare.

An matters stand there is little pros-pect of an early meeting of the Con-stituent Assembly. The Bolaheviki attituent Assembly. The Bolshevik members are leaving Petrograd in compilance with instructions from the Government. Yesterday the committee charged with the superintendence of elections endeavored to hold a meeting in the Taurid palace, but was prevented from doing so by soldiers. A separate sitting of Ukraine Deputies to the Con-

GERMANS ON WAY HOME.

Forty Embassy and Consular Offi-

cials Reach U. S. Pacific Port. A PACIFIC PORT. Dec. 18. - Forty Ger nan embassy and consular officials from Japan, China, Honolulu, Manila and other Pacific Ocean ports arrived to-day from the Orient on a United States

The party, which includes women and former proprietor of the Journal, in ac-cordance with the demand of the public duct by the ailled Governments. The group was guarded by Federal author:

in Peril While Training.

CENTRAL CONTROL SEPARATE PEACE **NOT WAR PANACEA**

Pontiff Belleves It Will Col. Replugton Shows Weak Lengthen War Instead of Points in Generalissimo Shortening It. Plan for Allies.

Tenton Successes Due to Dis-

cipline Rather Than Unity

of Command.

By COL. CHARLES REPINGTON.

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Allies Drawn Together.

cess in the war has been far more due to the inherent weaknesses of her enemies

mit this fact, which is of supreme im-portance, that the Allies have through-out preserved intimate and most friendly

relations, instead of hating each other more than the common enemy, which has been the usual practice in our old

alliantes. We have contrived to draw more closely to our friends and there really has been scarcely a shade of dif-

It is a fact that has to be accepted with all its consequences that an army can stand defeat under its own chiefs, but cannot stand defeat incurred in obeying the orders of a foreign General.

It must be accepted as an axiom in this war that not a single one of the Allies is prepared to accept a position of

subordination. This may be a weakness

Would Not Last a Month.

ments, departments.

ion, could remain long.

Day of Napoleon Past.

TEUTONS GAINING IN ITALY.

Some Positions.

Can any unification of command make

German and Austrian Foreign Ministers to Meet Trotzky at Brest-Litovsk.

special Cable Despatch to THE SUN copyright, 1917, all rights reserved Rose, Dec. 18.-A rumor that the ope is preparing another appeal for mace is genied at the Vatican, where it is admitted, however, that since the de-nials that the Holy See is implicated in any way in the Calllaux scandals are peace efforts are not connected with the propagands for a separate peace, which are not approved by the Pontist, since Versailles was created great hopes presuch a peace would prolong instead of vailed in France of obtaining our ap-

Evidence of the Pope's disapproval is afforded by the failure of the Vatican to recognize the present Russian Govern- and just.

"FOR GENERAL PEACE."

Czernin, have notified Leon Trotsky, the Holshevik Foreign Minister, that they will arrive at Brest-Litovsk Tuesday to begin negotiations for a general European peace.

Appropriate the process of the p begin negotiations for a general Euro-

The evening newspapers announce that Trotsky has notified the allied embassies that the armistice has reached definite results and that peace negotiations will begin, and asked them to participate or to state whether they wish

It is rather in war organization than

Up to this evening the embassies had tion, but from the national discipline and the scientific utilization of all forces. living and dead. When we think of the population of the British Empire and nats is said to have reached no definite

population of the terms of the armistice on the Rushian front it is stated that the Rushian delegation at Brest-Litovsk has been augmented to include Poknovsky, president of the Moscow ing more than 4.000.000 net casualties, we must really admire and extol the national discipline and organization of our forman enemy, but these things bear The Maximalist organ Pravda de-

The Maximalist organ Pravda de- German enemy, but these things hear unces as untruths the allegations that only a distant relation to centralized of Germans in the armistice negotia- control of the war and really belong to the Germans in the armistice negotia-tions demanded the evacuation of Petro-grad and Finland, the disarmament of he Russian army and a grant to Gerthe Russian army and a grain to dermany of a monopoly in grain exports.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 18.—According to information from a source which is usually well informed. Philipp Scheidemann, the German Socialist majority leader, who eft here Saturday, expects to return with his family for a lengthy stay in Stock-holm. It is added there was reason to believe that Scheldemann is going to German grand headquarters to meet Field Marshai von Hindenburg and Gen. von Ludendorff, the First Quartermaster-General, before returning to Stockholm.

NO PEACE IN WEST.

Chancellor Saya Britain Attitude to Mar.

LONDON, Dec. 18 .- Germany's way in e west is clear, inasmuch as a peace National pride, arrogance, prejudice are negotiation with Great Britain is out all aroused and the real bond of the the question at present, Chancellor von alliance, mutual understanding and acto the director of the Wolff Bureau, the senu-official German news agency, as i demanding an immediate expression of the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik authorities. The Rada had issued a state delining to recognize the people's commissioners as composing the Government of all Russia, inasmuch as the C. J. Doherty. Minister of Justice and a Conservative adherent of Sir Rob-left. He said the people of Canada as a whole could best serve their country by demanding an immediate expression of the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik are reply to the recent speech of Premier Lloyd George, who said he of Premier Lloyd George, who said he would regard peace overtures with Prussia at the moment the Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a the moment the Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a function of the interview was given in response to a request for a reply to the recent speech of Premier Lloyd George, who said he would regard peace overtures with Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a function of procedure to the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik are reply to the recent speech of Premier Lloyd George, who said he would regard peace overtures with Prussian the moment the Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a function of procedure to the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik are reply to the recent speech of Premier Lloyd George, who said he would regard peace overtures with Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a function of procedure them be decision of the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik a request for a reply to the recent speech of Prussian military spirit was drunk with boastfuiness as a function of procedure them be decision of the Rada's attitude toward the Boishevik are reply to the recent speech of Prussian may be sectionalism, but it is a flux of the great trust with which the commissioner as reply to the recent speech of the recent speech of the recent speech of the procedure the commissioner as reply to the recent speech of the recent speech of the recent speech of the procedure "Lloyd George calls us criminals and According to the reports of the Bot- bandits," said the Chancellor, "Modern conciliatory toward the minority in the moment of victory.

"The military service act will continue to be firmly but fairly and justly put have been satisfactory at Petrograd, thate with men of such temper. For hips rather prolonged thereby, because it is clearly out of the question to negotiate with men of such temper. For some time it has been impossible for an attentive observer to doubt that the lightly observer to doubt the lightly observer to doubt that the lightly observer to doubt the lightly observer to doubt that the lightly o

cessible to the idea of a just peace by understanding. His speech affords convincing proof of this."

single State? Sunk under an occan of papers, enraged by contradictions and opposition, the unfortunate man would Chancellor then discussed the not last a month in office and would

The Chanceller then discussed the not last a month in office and would origin of the war, saying Germany's conscience was clear, and added:

"More than a year has passed since we and our allies offered the enemy the hand of peace. It was rejected. In the meantime our reply to the papal note has again set forth our standpoint."

"Meanwhile the fundamental danger is that disaccord will remain even with a generalissimo of restricted powers. The large meantime our reply to the papal note has again set forth our standpoint." After referring to the conclusion of the tically, we most of us admit for reasons armistice with Russia, the Chancellor that are too obvious to dwell upon, he

ent on:
"Lloyd George's speech is the British must be a Frenchman. In this case must imagine Gen. Petain to be the g "Lloyd George's speech is the British answer to the papal note. Our way in the west accordingly is clear. It is not table to the commander of his country. It would be commander of his country. It would be an honer to any army to be commanded but history. As on August 2, 1914, so also to-day we may look forward to its verdict with equanimity."

"Lloyd George's speech is the British must imagine (ie. Petain to be the generalisation) to the most famous to commander of his country. It would be unformed by Petain, and the allied war council which would not listen to his sane and precise ideas would be unfortunate in-

LIEUT. WHITNEY ON TRIAL FOR A BLOW

Admits Striking Private at Camp Wadsworth.

Special Desputch to Tue Sex CAMP WADSWORTH, SPARTANBURG, S. C. Dec. 18.—The court-martial of Lieut. Harold Le Roy Whitney, Battery B. 194th Field Artillery, charged with striking Private Meddell of the same

Harold Le Roy Whitney, Battery B.
194th Field Artillery, charged with
striking Private Meddell of the same
command and with using profane language to enlisted men, was begun today.

Lieut. Whitney is being tried under
the Ninety-fifth Article of War, under
which conviction means dismissal from
the service. Through counsel Lieut.
Whitney virtually admitted the charges
to be true, but pleaded extenuating circumstances. In the matter of striking
Private Meddell it is asserted that it
was done after great provocation of insuits offered an officer in the discharge

Can any unification of command make
up for the loss of the cordial sympathies
which unite us now? Is it not practically certain that we shall suffer this
loss if we elect a generaliseimo, unless
the campaign goes as happily as marriage bells, certainly one of the most improbable things in the world? The days
of Napoleon have gone by. Instead of
endeavoring to create a fictitious reproduction of him it would surely be better
to accept the alliew world as we find it,
not, in these critical days, upsetting
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to accept the alliew of as we find it.
Amsterdam. Dec. 18 — Two sallers
were saved by the German American destroyer Jacob Jones, Germany
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cumstances. In the matter of striking private Meddell it is asserted that it was done after great provocation of insuits offered an officer in the discharge of his duty. Lieut. Whitney admits using profanity in the presence of enlisted men, but not to them.

The evidence was to the effect that several men were gathered in a tent in the battery street on the night of November 23 singing and enjoying them selves and that the festivities continued until after tape had sounded.

Lieut. Whitney was officer of the feature of the livered and the contract of t

Lieut. Whitney was officer of the guard at the time. He went to the tent and demanded with a good deal of profanity that the noise be stopped. Some

troops already mobilized comprise a men between the ages of 15 and 45.

for a Short Time.

A floating fire gave the downtown disrict a lively spectacle yesterday who he Ward Line tugboat Edwin Brando

from her superstructure.

Henry Hillman, a pier watchman, jumped on an Erie tug and got her mate to tow the Ward boat into the middle of the channel, where the fre-boat New Yorker attended to the fire in mate to tow the Ward boat into the mate to tow the Ward boat into the middle of the channel, where the fire boat New Yorker attended to the fire in short order.

Many persons watched the Eric boat leading the blazing tug from the pier to r place where the fire could do little harm and saw with interest the way the fireboats fight a real river job.

Expert Blames Lack of Ships and Calls Convoy System

Seasonable Clothing.

Seasonable Clothing.

"Distinctions of rank in the arms as solely in the interests of military distinction; indeed, in a country like our the advantage of education and culture very soldler, and yet it is necessary that the soldler, a

SENATE TO PROBE U. S. SHIP BOARD

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that the majority of our French allies pends upon our strength on the sea. any way in the Calliaux scandals are apparently insufficient a public statement or document may be decided usen are disappointed in us for not concurbefore long explaining that the Pope's ring in their opinion on this subject.

Indicate the money placed in the colliciants find their way into the subject of the Shipping Board should have criticisms find their way into the editor. When the so-called interallied staff at

conflict of authority and an intermina-ble tangle of red tape. I have a notion The Dully proval of the principle of a generalhat it is something more than that. irelino. The French idea was logical believe that the Senate can give the country no greater service just now than to make a determined investigation into The centralization of all power in German main headquarters has not pre- this great branch of the Government." vented great failures, almost catas-PETROGRAD, Dec. 17 (delayed).—The German and Austrian Foreign Minister. The Toron Kuhlmann and Count Czernin, have notified Leon Trotzky, the Holshevik Foreign Minister, that they will arrive at Brest-Litovak Tuesday to begin negotiations for a grant for the count of the Marne and at the Marne and at the Marne and at the Marne and at the subject. He were lying idle in American harbors that should be in the ocean carrying trade. "I do not know," said he. "why we themselves." trophes, from occurring to the Germans.

"I do not believe that the fact that this efficial drops out and is succeeded by another, and another drops out and is succeeded by still another will prevent It is rather in war organization than in strategy or fighting that Germany had the better of us. This advantage was derived not from centralized direc-

"My information is that over 6,000,000 tons are under contract; and I do not

must be suspended until after the inquiry it is impossible not to feel that the Pacific coast that have been contracted for by this board ships are being launched on the Atlantic coast."

Senator Chamberlain or Oregon said that on the Pacific coast people had been begging to build wooden ships. "Men are idle," he said. "Labor can be procured to construct wooden ships, but for some reason they are not permitting contracts to be made and where they are made there are usually handicars placed upon the contracts that forbit men going into it.

"They do not ask the Government to build the ships. The individual is willing to do it himself. But I say: If the ships are approximately and the processing to build the ships. The individual is willing to do it himself. But I say: If the ships are approximately all the ships are ships and especially lacks enough small ships.

build the ships. The individual is willing to do it himself. But I say: 'If we give you a permit to build for private account we will put a clause in it that account we will put a clause in it that

these circumstances.
"I do not mean to charge any irregularity in the Shipping Board and the Emergency Fleet Corporation, but it steamed seven million miles in areas in seems to me that it has resolved itself, which enemy submarines were as into a sort of debating society without in which also enemy mines by the thou-being able ever to consummate con-sand lurked.

Senator Flatcher's committee will meet then be decided whether the entire com-

his full authority over the shipbuilding programme the Shipping Board retained him also as the corporation's vice-presi-

Rear Admiral Harris was designated as general manager just two weeks ago upon the resignation of Rear Aumiral Capps, who quit because of ill health. He was selected by the Navy Department on the Shipping Board's succession that a naval constructor be named for The Shipping Board accepted Admiral

Harris's resignation, Chairman Hurley announced, when the general manager insisted that the offices of the Fleet Corporation be moved to Philadelphia and in 65 minut-

Nothing to Pear, Says Boars.

in a Congressional investigation.

A special report made by Lloyd's A special report made by Lioya's shows they said, very encouraging conditions in the country's shipyards. Lloyd's figures for Seattle alone, they said, estimate the 1918 steel ship production at 540,000 tons, while builders reports from Seattle may a total of 1,000,000 tons of both steel and wooden they have been sent to the story of the sto Gen. Petain possesses the unlimited confidence of the French army and pos-sibly has the qualifications of the high-est commander in chief, but for these reasons we in England who know and ships will be turned out next year.

Friends of Admiral Harris asserted to-night that his resignation was prompted by dissatisfaction with the Fleet Corporation's form of organization and objection to having his suggestions wait for consideration by the board of highly appreciate his talents would view with the greatest regret this elevation to a post in which no man, in our opin-

His resignation, they said, would bring

wait for consideration by the board of

ment received here to-day.
The Jacob Jones was torpedeed and sunk in the war sone December 6 and eixty-five men on board were missing. Survivors reported that one American who spoke German was taken away a prisoner in the submarine. Capture 1,000 Prisoners and Take

PARIS. Dec. 18.—In a renewed offensive yesterday the Austro-German forces on the northern end of the Italian battle front delivered a fierce attack regardless of losses to them, and east of Monte Solarolo took some Italian positions. The night report from Berlin says: entanos Booksellers to the World Books

PIREBOATS FIGHT RIVER BLAZE BRITISH AROUSED BY BLAMES WAR DEPT. FOR CAMP DEATHS NORTH SEA ATTACK

tled at Pier 14, East River, was pulled Navy Sharply Criticised for Gorgas Criticizes Locations, into midstream with flames spouting Navy Sharply Criticised for Gorgas Criticizes Locations, Failure to Take Proper Seasonable Clothing.

LONDON, Dec. 18 .- The serious view

entertained here on the successful German double attack on shipping in th North Sea is reflected by the great prominence and space given in the morning newspapers to this incident, but muc-we of the editorial comment is restrained een ill handled.

"Judging from the press, there is a the explanations given at the time of the

The Dully News says: "The disaster I will create indignation as well as deep

ment." Suggests a deplorable fallure in the face of the October precedent. Senator Fletcher, chairman of the October precedent.

"The occurrence of two such inci"The occurrence of two such incidents," adds the paper, "is calculated to

The Daily Chronicle says: "The ser! upon the administrative efficiency of the terval unless some screws in the ma-chinery were very dangerously loose. The circumstances call for a court of inquiry to be appointed by mander in Chief or compo or composed of his

The Times says: "The attack requires see why that work cannot go on, irrespective of who is president of the Emergency Fleet Corporation or superintendent of this or of that.

The Times Says I have attack requires a good deal more of explanation than the raid in October, and while judgment must be suspended until after the intendent of this or of that. must be suspended until after the in-quiry it is impossible not to feel that the things should never have happened."

reserves to the Government the right to commandeer the machinery.

"In other words, when the ship is ships," he continues, "the navy has never been provided with an adequate soon the water the right is reserved to commandeer the machinery, so that the ship is absolutely necless. Now private these circumstances.

"It do not mean to charge any irregulations and seen of labor and steel. All that can be said is that our strength is greater to day than it was, though still insufficient because of losses incurred at sea. It one recent month of this year in the same waters alone our naval forces. ve and | Gen. Gorgas says.

as been overlooked ever since the war and probably increased the tendency to on adequate to ansure rest for those on are hearing the main burden."

The writer, like some others, recalls | Eric Gedden's statement explaining or sewer connections." been adequate to ensure rest. who are bearing the main burden. mittee or a special committee will take up the work.

Sir Eric Gedden's statement explaining the October raid that between April and In making Mr. Piez general manager October 4,560 merchantmen were exsurface attack. He also says that since the beginning of the convoy system until December 1 less than 14; per cent of

TWO FLIERS UP 23.048 FEET Italian Army Officer and Pilot

Reach Great Height. Roxe, Dec. 18.- Lieut. Brachpapa of discipline. the Italian army and a pilot recently at-tained a height of 23,048 feet in an Italtan airplane, mounting to this stillude

asked immediate action on a request for the setting saide of \$12,000,000 for housing shippard workers without waiting 755 feet, the record, however, not being ing shipyard workers without waiting 755 feet, the record, however, not using and the thorough and prompt performfor a decision by the Fleet Corporation's passed upon by the Federation Aeronau; and the thorough and prompt performtique Internationale in Paris owing to after of military duty all officers, in dealtique Internationale in Paris owing to the with culiated men, will bear in mind the outbreak of the war shortly after, the absolute necessity of so treating with culiated men, will bear in mind the outbreak of the ward to be absolute necessity of so treating

> Women isk for Conductors' Johs.
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> Kansas City, Dec. 18.—Answering a will insure the free approach of their men to them for counsel and assistance.
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> Rausas City Railway Commany adverting the free approach of their men to them for counsel and assistance. Kansas City, Railway Company advertisement, eighty women applied to-day for positions as street car conductors. This relationship may be gained and maintained without relaxation on the would be required to wear a gray coat.

Overcrowding and Lack of

of Meningitis. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Severe blame the War Department's present method of caring for the health of the men at the camps is contained in a series of re-

Gen. Gorgas, Surgeon-General of the

He states frankly that health conditions in some instances are serious and criticizes the lack of winter clothing.

disciplinary relationship, I am still per overcrowding at the cantonments, shortage of tentage and inadequate hospital facilities. He ascribes the death of twenty-two men at Camp Funston, Kansas, from meningitis to the fact that the democratic ideals of our country this camp, "located on a river bottom, has been known for years to be a centre

Gen. Gorgas also refers to delays in carrying out obviously needed corrective measures at some of the camps he has

With respect to Camp Sevier at Green ville, S. C. he says: "Santtary condi-tions here are serious. Sixty men have died of pneumonia in the last month. The camp has been exposed to a general epidemic of measles, about 2,000 cases having occurred within the last month."

Gen. Gorgan ascribes the basic unsanitary condition to overcrowding be-cause of shortage of tentage. He points had to put eleven or twelve men in single tent.
"There has been a good deal of dis-

comfort and exposure on account of the men having nothing but their summer clothing," Gen. Gorgas adds. explaining that this has now been in great part cor-rected. Heat and plumbing are badly needed in the hospital, he says. With respect to Camp Doniahan, Oklahoms. Gen. Gorgas complains of overcrowding, shortage of winter clothing, unfinished condition of base hospital and delay in getting a sewerage system and neces-sary plumbing completed at the hospital. Referring to Camp Punston Gen. Gorgas says: "During the past month this command has had \$4 deaths. Of these 42 wer from pneumonia, with 189 cases: 22 deaths from meningitis, with 70 cases; 131 cases of mumps. This indicates a most serious condition of the canonment as far as infection from two serious diseases—meningitis and pneu-monia—is concerned. As emphasizing the situation I call attention to the fact that they had \$4 deaths from all causes when the normal death rate of such a command should be about 12."

Epidemic Centre for Disease

Gen. Gorgas blames overcrowding. ds that this camp is located in a par the country well known to all health years the principal epidemic centre in its civil population for meningitis. "The camp has been located in the river bottom and is excessively dusty,"

which snamy submarines were active and in which also enemy mines by the thousand lurked.

"The navy, and particularly the officers and men who serve in small craft, has caused a great deal of discomfort.

NO CASTE IN ARMY.

save Males Are Only to

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- In response to December 1 less than 14 per cent of convoyed cargoes bound inward has been Sonate resolution asking whether there re War Department rules and regulations to prevent social intercourse tweet officers and men of the army Sec Baker to-day wrote Vice-Presi dent Marshall that distinctions of rand

in the army imply no social distinction and are solely in the interest of military reply Secretary Baker quote . Magraph of army regulations and

Superiors are forbidden to injure hose under their authority by tyran-ical or capricious conduct or by abustve language. While maintaining discipline Nothing to Pear, Says Boars.

Shipping Board officials said to-night reached a height of 23.627 feet on April them so as to preserve their self-respect the shipbuilding programme was in good 26, 1916, at Hendon, England as possible with the men under their shape and that nothing was to be feared Women task for Conductors' John.

> "In this paragraph will be seen an endeavor to arrive at a true balance in the

proper relationship between officers and enlisted men on the one hand to encour age and exchange confidence and con-eration between the officer and the solage and exchange confidence and con-eration between the officer and the sol-dier, and on the other to avoid personal intimacies between an officer and are particular soldier or soldiers, which might have a tendency to lead to favor-itism or the suspicion of favor-tiem, assignments for duties or cause decan

tent on the part of those not selected apecial intimacy by the officer "Distinctions of rank in the

Shows Value of Discipline "In the emergency of battle, a

every condition tends to distract attention and peril is on every side of for a command frequently lies only organized and coordinated activity condition tends to distrathis can proceed from one alone—the instant unquesti pliance by all with the

ports made public to-night by Major- Ity. "While here and there instances doubtedly occur of thoughtless and considerate conduct on the part of cers and of unreasoning complain suaded that in the great army we now have in the field and in training there is a growing realization that it is bepossible and useful to be faithful to mil-

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Michigan (11) Also Has Aldermas and 4 Policemen in Same Class

Michigan City, Ind., Dec. 18.—As a aftermath to the municipal campa 2 last month this city of 25,000 includants found to-day that it has a More elect, an Alderman, three city poand one special policeman who are at

The revelation came when I States Marshal Mark Storen at napolis granted alien enemy permits or Prederick Charles Miller, Mayor-elec-to Alderman Joseph Bates and the co-

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